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If we find but one to whom we can speak out of our heart freely, with whom we can walk in love and simplicity without dissimulation, we have no ground of quarrel with the world of God.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

## "MAKE GOOD" AT SAN FRANCISCO

The report that sugar men had "persuaded" the governor to call off Hawaii's plans for the 1915 exposition is fortunately untrue. Governor Pinkham's feelings with regard to the fair appropriation, which under the law is controlled by him, were amply stated some weeks ago in his letter to Chairman H. P. Wood. Nothing has happened since then to warrant a change. Hawaii certainly is in no position now to repudiate its obligation to exhibit at San Francisco.

The time is getting short. The exposition opens within a few months. Hawaii has not a great deal of money to spend on the building and all the more energy should be put on collecting and installing a well-planned and thoroughly representative display.

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## THEY DESERVE PRAISE

Not only Director-general Dougherty but each member of the various Carnival committees, deserves a vote of thanks from the Chamber of Commerce. The head of the 1914 Mid-Pacific Carnival did good work. Since the festivities ended there have been almost—not quite—the usual number of post-mortem criticisms, most of them useless. In the past Honolulu has invariably praised the director of the Carnival to the skies until the Carnival began, and then a large part of Honolulu has started "knocking," continuing the latter process for a year—until the next director became the target. A little more praise after the Carnival would make the work of the responsible officers considerably easier.

The best feature in the work for the success of the various Carnivals is that public-spirited citizens of Hawaii are willing to give of their time and energy without any financial remuneration. Aside from the secretary, there is no regular paid Carnival worker. The committeemen get nothing. It is absolutely impossible to pay them and keep the Carnival expenses within reasonable bounds. The success of the various festivals has been due to the fact that from the director-general to the last worker in the ranks, services are given free.

And, by the way, is there any move yet to name the director for the 1915 event? He cannot get to work too early.

## WHAT WILL WILSON DO?

Political leaders of the mainland appear to be considerably exercised lately over the "single term" plank of the Democratic platform of 1912.

The single presidential term question, as applicable to President Wilson, was interjected in the debate in the senate recently over woman suffrage and the Panama canal tolls by Senator Bristow of Kansas. The senator criticized the president, says the Washington Star, because he had refused to aid the women seeking the ballot on the ground that the Baltimore platform did not say anything about woman suffrage, while on the other hand the president had undertaken to have repealed the clause of the Panama canal act which permits free passage by American coastwise vessels, although the Baltimore platform specifically declares in favor of the free passage of these vessels.

Senator Bristow said:

"The consideration of this woman suffrage amendment has been educational in more ways than one. It has given us a line upon some of the peculiar and interesting characteristics of our chief executive that may be exceedingly useful to the country in the future.

"For instance, the Democratic platform contains this declaration:

"We favor a single presidential term . . . and we pledge the candidate of this convention to this principle.

"At the proper time will the president inter this week.

Grouchy voter—I think Congress ought to quit sending out seeds to its farmers. Congress is visiting in his district—Why, aren't the seeds good? Yes, the seeds are all right, but Congress ought to plant the seeds in the vegetables.

pret this plank in harmony with his position as to suffrage or as to canal tolls?

"I believe it was the peerless Democratic leader, William Jennings Bryan, who recently declared that—

"A man who violates a party platform is a criminal worse than the man who embezzles money."

"In the meantime we shall with interest watch the conflict that now appears to be going on between party promises and evasive political strategy."

## MUNICIPAL DANCE HALLS FOR CHICAGO

The city of Chicago, after long consideration and careful investigation, has decided that the municipal dance-hall can be so established and operated as to be an agency for improvement among the poorer people who cannot afford the polished ball-room indulgences. A newspaper clipping from the Windy City says:

"Five municipal dance halls will be established if plans tentatively announced by Mayor Harrison are carried out. The mayor obtained a report from the municipal reference library on the success of municipal dance halls in other cities and he believed the idea could be introduced here to good advantage next winter.

"In most of the cities admission is charged to the municipal dance halls," said the mayor, "but I incline to the idea of free dance halls as well as free bathing beaches. My scheme would be to have one on the north side, one on the south side, one on the northwest side and one on the southwest side, and possibly one in South Chicago. Of course, by charging an admission and selling soft drinks the enterprise could be made self-sustaining, but I think it would be better for the city to meet the expense involved. It would not cost a great deal."

"Would you permit the tango to be danced?" the mayor was asked.

"I think so," was the reply. "The tango can be danced as decently as any other dance."

## THE NEW HAVEN REORGANIZATION

A brief telegraphic dispatch announces that the New Haven railroad system is to be dissolved. This is partially incorrect. The New Haven railroad system, under the plans proposed by the administration through Attorney-general McReynolds and agreed to by President Howard Elliott and the New Haven directors, is to remain intact. The subsidiary railroad, steamship and electric lines are to be disposed of. The separation of the New Haven railroad from its various subsidiaries is regarded as the most notable of Attorney-general McReynolds' achievements under the Sherman law. Many acute observers believe that he has proved that no amendment or extension of the Sherman law is necessary to enable the federal government to cope with the problem of monopolies and trusts.

China's brigands must have had Mexican training, or vice versa.

Baseball being temporarily shelved, the next most popular sport is picking a federal building site.

If the postoffice department expects Hawaii to settle the high cost of living problem by using the parcels post, it is going to be disappointed and so is Hawaii. That is one disadvantage in living on the outside zone.

"Mother Jones returns; bloodshed is feared," says a headline from the scene of the Colorado strikes. Evidently Mother Jones is a nice, comfortable sort of person to have around.

A well-known businessman doubts the value of Promotion work. He is in the very small minority.

Advertising the attractions of the islands for tourists may not increase dividends or plantation agency profits, but it helps the merchant, the hotelman, the chauffeur, the grocer, the transportation man and a few dozen other businesses.

Won't seem like the same old government unless Mott-Smith is sitting on some lid or other.

"Confirmation Day" is likely to be any time

## Letters OF TIMELY TOPICS

[The Star-Bulletin invites free and frank discussion in this column on all legitimate subjects of current interest. Communications are constantly received to which no signature is attached. This paper will treat as confidential signatures to letters if the writers so desire, but cannot give space to anonymous communications.]

### THE OLD STORY OF DIVISION

Lihue, March 21.  
Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.  
Sir:—In an editorial-headed "Why" in a recent issue of your valued paper it is asked why the items for the improvement of Kahului and Nawiliwili harbors were left out of the recommendations of the rivers and harbors committee in its bill recently reported to the house.

As to Kahului, the committee's reason is not clear, seeing that federal work has been going on at that harbor for some time, private parties, at large financial outlay to themselves, having laid the foundations of a har-

bor long before federal help was solicited, and it would seem now to be in order to make a complete and satisfactory job of the undertaking.

On the other hand at Nawiliwili, it is well-known at Washington, that nothing has been done by the people whose properties abut on the proposed harbor site, to establish any kind of a claim on the federal government for the appropriation of the large sum of \$2,000,000—the amount said to be required for the construction at Nawiliwili.

Doubtless the harbors and rivers committee has much data in its possession on the subject of Kahului harbors, amongst which are now two resolutions from the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce, one strongly in favor of Port Allen passed but a few years ago, the other in favor of Nawiliwili passed recently.

Do these slight suggestions tend to answer your editorial "Why?"  
Yours truly,  
QUID NUNC.

### SMALL INTELLIGENCE

—COL. C. J. MCCARTHY: It will not be so very long now before the tax money will begin to come in.

—E. A. MOTT-SMITH: I may alter my resignation to take effect March 27, instead of March 31. I hate to think of spending three days on the high seas and being paid for it.

—ROBERT CATHCART: My visit to the governor on Friday has been misinterpreted. I did not go there to apply for the position of chairman of the public utilities commission.

—JOHN WISE: I don't mind playing the part of a "cop" for the Melbae moving-picture people but I hate to be shown as taking 15 snags at a fleeing spy—right on top of him, too—and missing him!

—SIDNEY R. JORDAN: Someone said that I went out to Kapiolani park the other day and climbed a tree to get some coconuts for a tourist. No such thing. There are plenty of coconuts to be had in town.

—J. W. CALDWELL: The water situation is further complicated by the Honolulu planning mill's inability to make the Palolo reservoir hold water. That job is now a month overdue and is costing the firm a forfeit of \$15 a day, but it is costing the municipality more than that, for about 240,000 gallons are going to waste each day.

### UNIVERSITY CLUB IS SCENE OF LIVELY TIME SATURDAY NIGHT

Members of the University Club and their friends to the number of more than 200 gathered at the club Saturday evening to attend a smoker and an interesting entertainment taken part in by both amateur and professional talent. Judge A. A. Wilder acted as master of ceremony and the majority of the wit of the evening was furnished by the members of the 101 Bison Company, now in Honolulu taking a series of motion pictures.

There were monologues and popular songs, and a sketch entitled "The Trap," all of which were keenly enjoyed. Then, there was a classic dance, a scene from Hamlet, and a reading from Shakespeare. Impromptu speeches by Judge A. A. Wilder and Maj. Ernest V. Smith concluded the program, following which refreshments were served.

### TRAFFIC LAW WILL BE CORRECTED BY AMENDMENT

It will not be necessary to re-publish the entire traffic law because of the few mistakes which have been found in it. P. L. Weaver stated this morning that the corrections can be made by amendment, which will make it necessary for the amendment only to be published.

With the publication of the new ordinance, and the summary of it given in the Star-Bulletin, several new suggestions for the traffic law have been made, but it is not likely that they will be acted on as it is the desire of the board for it to stand, so far as possible, as it passed first reading. Strong objections have been made to the section which makes one who has taken a drink within an hour of participating in an accident or a violation of the ordinance, prima facie guilty of intoxication. Arguments are made that this is too drastic. However, the supervisors express another view. They say that as it is only prima facie and not conclusive evidence it will be easy enough for a driver to show that he was not intoxicated but in perfect control of his machine.

## Personal Mention

DELEGATE KUHIO is now a member of the committee on agriculture as well as on territories.

G. H. BANTA of Los Angeles, California, is completing a tour of the world in the Siberia.

J. A. BALCH has completed a business trip to Maui, returning to Honolulu in the steamer Claudine.

A. M. BROWN, deputy prosecuting attorney, is to sail for Maui in the steamer Claudine this evening.

H. HANEBERG was among the passengers returning to the city from Kauai in the steamer Kinau.

G. A. ATKINSON of Dublin, Ireland, was numbered with the through passengers in the steamer Siberia.

GEORGE R. HUMPHREYS is back from a business tour of the island of Kauai. He was a passenger in the steamer Kinau.

FRANK O. BOYER has returned from a flying business trip to Kauai. He was a passenger in the steamer Kinau.

MISS BERTHA SMITH leaves by the Wilhelmnia for a three months' vacation, visiting relatives and friends.

WILLY MOOS, having spent some months at Shanghai, China, is returning to his home at Stuttgart, Germany as a passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia.

MISS ALVA F. SEAVEY has returned to Honolulu from an extended vacation spent in Japan and China. Miss Seavey left the islands the first of the year.

JAMES GUILD, who was operated upon at the Queen's hospital last Monday, is reported to be recovering speedily and probably will be removed to his home in a few days.

G. ALEXANDER WALKER of the Kowloon-Canton railway is making a business trip to the mainland and Great Britain as a through passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia.

COUNT KUNO DES FOURS identified with the Austrian legation at Peking, is enroute to Paris, France, as a through passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia that sailed for San Francisco this morning.

LOUIS T. A. CLEMENT, traffic manager of the tramways system in the French concession at Shanghai, China, is an arrival in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia. He will remain in the islands for some weeks before continuing the voyage to the mainland.

WILLIAM BUSH and Thomas McFarland, members of the Chicago detective staff, sailed for San Francisco this morning as passengers in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia. They have taken into custody John and Archie Fielding, wanted by the mainland authorities on a charge of forgery.

S. H. CHOI formerly student secretary of the Korean Y. M. C. A. at Tokyo, Japan, arrived in Honolulu in the Siberia yesterday to take a position with the Korean Central school, having in hand plans to organize a student association at that institution. Before entering into Y. M. C. A.



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work. Mr. Choi formerly was assistant principal in one of the larger mission schools in Seoul, Korea.  
MR. and MRS. MILLER JOPLIN, identified with the business interests of Saigon, Cochinchina, the "Paris of the Far East," are through passengers in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia. Rhee and Rev. H. S. Kong will be in for San Francisco. They contemplate making an extended visit in France before returning to the Orient.

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